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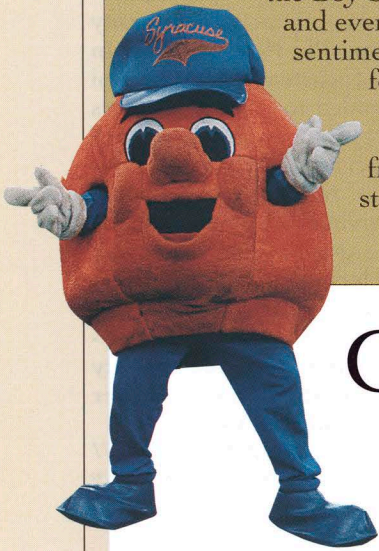
After Bill Clinton failed to jog one Monday in March, reporters asked press secretary Mike McCurry about the president's health.

"He's feeling very short of breath. I saw visible palpitations and I saw a great deal of anxiety on the face of the president..." said McCurry, pausing as a wave of alarm spread through the White House briefing room. Then he continued: "... last night during the game with Syracuse."

Arkansas, Clinton's favorite team and home-state school, defeated Syracuse in overtime, 96-94, in the second round of the NCAA men's basketball tournament. SU nearly won the game in regulation, but squandered a one-point lead with four seconds to play after being assessed a technical foul for taking too many time-outs. Arkansas' Scotty Thurman subsequently made one of two free throws to force overtime, which ended when SU's Lucious Jackson bounced a three-point shot attempt off the rim.

Two weeks later, Barbara Bush visited the Carrier Dome to speak at the annual Boypower dinner of the Hiawatha Council of the Boy Scouts of America. "Each and every one of us share one sentiment," said the wife of

former president George Bush. "You and I would be a lot happier if people from Arkansas would stay home."



Orange Sunset?

The search is on for a new athletic logo and possibly SU's first bona fide mascot since the Saltine Warrior was sacked in 1978. An 18-member committee of students, faculty, and staff is seeking ideas and courting suggestions from several national design firms. A new logo, if adopted, will adorn uniforms, playing surfaces, and merchandising paraphernalia from posters to sweatshirts.

The University's goal, says Peter Webber, a member of the committee and SU's director of auxiliary services, is to develop a logo that's "very visible and appealing to students, alumni, fans, and prospective students. We want something that will symbolize SU's dynamic athletic program."

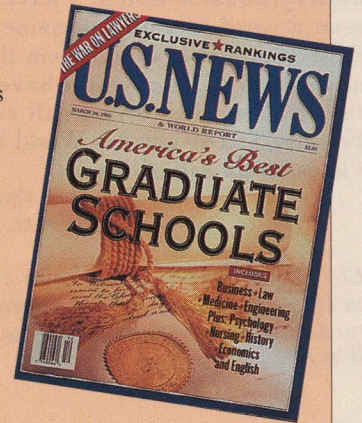
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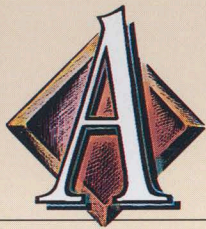
The nation's best graduate school for public administration? Yale? No. Columbia? Uh uh. Cornell? Not even close. Try Syracuse.

U.S. News & World Report honored the Maxwell School program in its March 20 issue, which lists top graduate schools for law, business, medicine, engineering, liberal arts, nursing, physical therapy, and public administration. To create its rankings, the magazine surveyed deans and senior faculty members at 223 institutions. SU was followed in the rankings by Harvard and Princeton, which tied for second.

Maxwell dean John Palmer was predictably thrilled by the ranking, calling it "a testimony to the quality and achievements of our program's faculty and students."

U.S. News & World Report also ranked the nation's top graduate schools of education in its 1995 newsstand book, *America's Best Colleges*. SU's School of Education placed 28th among 223 institutions nationwide in rankings culled from surveys distributed to school district superintendents, education school deans, and top faculty members.





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CBT is Back

Coming Back Together V, Syracuse University's triennial reunion of African American and Latino alumni, returns September 21-24. More than 500 alumni are expected for the on-campus event, which features 43 career-oriented and educational workshops, networking opportunities for alumni and students, campus tours, and several parties and other social events, including the SU-Minnesota football game and a gala dinner dance at the Onondaga Convention Center.

The event's theme is "The Future is Now: Careers, Family, and Community." The chairpersons are Art Monk, a 1980 graduate of the College of Visual and Performing Arts and National Football League player, and wife Desiree Monk, a 1981 graduate of the College for Human Development. Workshops range from "Saving a Generation: Youth-Oriented Programs" to "Mentoring and Networking in Career Advancement."

"CBT V is guaranteed to offer alumni and students an action-packed, eventful weekend full of interesting and entertaining possibilities," says Larry Martin, executive director of SU's Office of Program Development, which is coordinating the event. "We hope all our African American and Latino alumni will come back, celebrate, and look ahead."

Those interested in further information or reservation forms can call Lola Gualtieri at (315) 443-4556.



"I can't tell you how often I'm asked by people who ought to know better, 'Where do you get all the information in the books you write?' 'In libraries,' I say, and wonder to myself where in the world they were educated."

— Pulitzer Prize-winning author David McCullough, who spoke March 24 on the importance of libraries and books during the keynote address for SU's 125th anniversary celebration.

Family Affair

When Martin Villarica was ready for graduate school, his parents took the Filipino family on a cross-country college tour, visiting several institutions, including the University of California at Irvine, Kansas, Georgetown, Boston College, and Syracuse. Martin settled on Syracuse and ignited a one-family enrollment boom.

Three of Villarica's siblings and four other relatives—two brothers-in-law, a sister-in-law, and a cousin—have all earned or are on track to soon earn graduate degrees from SU between 1994 and 1996. Further, seven of the eight have received or should receive a Ph.D. from the University. The degree fields: physical, organic, and inorganic chemistry, biophysics, computer engineering, spe-

cial education, and business administration.

Chemistry professor John Baldwin has taught two Villarica family members. "It's quite unusual for any family to have this many students, particularly graduate students, at the University at one time," he says. "The fact the family happens to be from the Philippines makes it extraordinary."

The parents, Rodolfo and Pilar Villarica, both earned graduate degrees from United States institutions and wanted their children to do the same. Once Martin decided to enroll at SU, the others quickly followed suit. "We thought it would be a nice idea for them to stay in one place," says Rodolfo.

In honor of their children's educational accomplishments, the Villaricas hosted a formal dinner in January in their hometown of Manila. The 300 guests included Baldwin, his wife, and dozens of Filipino government officials, university presidents, and business leaders.